

October 26, 1950

Dear Ambassador Grew,

Thank you for your letter of 9 October, enclosing the report by [redacted] entitled "Evaluation of the Present Hungarian Army".

The report has been examined by my analysts who consider it to be valuable, informative, and useful. Discussion of the political indoctrination of military personnel, training and indoctrination of military manpower by age classes, weaknesses in the officer corps, financing of the army, etc., is of considerable interest and value. On many of these subjects the source appears to have excellent background and information although my people do feel that the accuracy of specific information is questionable. You may be assured that this report will be handled as confidential.

Your congratulations on my new assignment are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

*S/ Walter Bedell Smith*

Ambassador Joseph C. Grew

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